

STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Pulmonary Hypertension is a rare disease, affecting 100,000 people each year; and

WHEREAS: Pulmonary Hypertension is caused by rising blood pressure in the arteries to the lungs, resulting

in an enlarged heart; and

WHEREAS: Symptoms of Pulmonary Hypertension are general and subtle enough that the disease can be

misdiagnosed or a diagnosis may not be made in time for treatments to be effective; and

WHEREAS: Prognosis and life expectancy for people with Pulmonary Hypertension are improving as new

treatments become available; however, there is still no cure; and

WHEREAS: People with Pulmonary Hypertension live with dignity and hope; living as best they can in the

face of overwhelming difficulties; and

WHEREAS: It is important to recognize patients who work to raise awareness of Pulmonary Hypertension;

the doctors, nurses, and other professionals who work tirelessly to treat patients and improve their quality of life; and the caretakers who give themselves to their care; while also honoring

those who have lost their lives too early to this disease; and

WHEREAS: Pulmonary Hypertension Awareness Month seeks to raise awareness and encourage support

for continued research.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Dayton, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of November 2016. as:

PULMONARY HYPERTENSION AWARENESS MONTH

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 28th day of October.

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SECRETARY OF STATE